HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 962

By Halford

A RESOLUTION to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the Town of Rutherford.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected officials of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those noteworthy communities that have contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of this state and its local economies; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Town of Rutherford are most assuredly deserving of special recognition as they celebrate the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of their fair city; and

WHEREAS, located in northwest Tennessee in scenic Gibson County, the Town of Rutherford was incorporated on February 28, 1860, by Chapter 88 of the Private Acts of the 1859-1860 General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, presently home to more than 1,200 residents, Rutherford was the last home of the legendary frontiersman Davy Crockett, who served in the Tennessee General Assembly and resided in Rutherford during his tenure as a United States Congressman from 1827 to 1831, prior to his death at the Alamo on March 6, 1836; and

WHEREAS, a replica of Davy Crockett's cabin and the grave of his mother, Rebecca Crockett, become attractions every year when Rutherford holds its annual "Davy Crockett Days" festival, a week-long celebration of the life and times of Davy Crockett and the pioneer spirit; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Rutherford is truly one of the great communities in Tennessee and has been a catalyst for positive change in our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those communities and their citizenry who are commemorating significant milestones in their historic existence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate the citizens of the Town of Rutherford as they celebrate their sesquicentennial anniversary and extend our best wishes for continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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